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CONNELLVILLE, PA., TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 31, 1907.

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## JUDGE REPERT CLOSING TERM WITH SEVERE SENTENCES TODAY.

**Alleged Black Hand Member Sent to Penitentiary Five Years and Others Go to Workhouse.**

### MUCH REGRET IS EXPRESSED

That Accomplishes of Joe Castella Must Be Let Off So Easily—Injunction Against Molders Is Dissolved—Mrs. Kuntz to Get \$500.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 31.—At his last session Judge Reppert and Frank Reppert, the downy sentenced to Joe Castella, a black hand member, and Frank Reppert, the alleged black hand member, who were convicted of holding up Guiseppe Nicoletti at Brownsville, some months ago. Now trials were first granted the prisoners on the conspiracy charges, as the testimony on that point was not entirely clear.

Castella, charged with assault and battery, with intent to rob, was sent to the penitentiary for five years. Judge Reppert declined to act on the eloquent pleas for leniency presented by attorneys Lee Brownfield and A. P. Jones.

In the case of the two men charged with holding up Guiseppe Nicoletti at Brownsville, some months ago. Now trials were first granted the prisoners on the conspiracy charges, as the testimony on that point was not entirely clear.

Attorney George Patterson presented the petition of A. W. Craig asking that his name be stricken from the petition to have the accounts of County Chairman J. R. Byrne and Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen audited. Craig claims that he signed the petition under a misapprehension.

### POWDER EXPLOSION.

Two Miners Near Pittsburg Drop Spark in Keg of Powder Causing Much Havoc.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 31.—Two miners were fatally burned and two houses wrecked through a powder explosion this morning at Willock station on the Baltimore & Ohio road near here. Steve Dunn and Mike Hargrove were struggling to fill their powder baskets for the day's work, when a spark from a miner's lamp held by Dunn dropped in the keg of powder.

### WATCH MEETING.

It Will Be Held in U. B. Church this Evening.  
A watch night meeting will be held this evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock in the United Brethren church, during the watch night services. From 10 until 11 o'clock services will be in charge of the Christian Endeavor Society, the meeting closing with services of consecration.

### TAKE OFFICE.

Tomorrow Will Be Moving Day for Many About the Fayette County Court House.

Tomorrow will be moving day for a good many officers of the county and the court house promises to be a busy place. Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen will move from his present quarters to the new building. Judge Robert E. Umbel becomes President Judge of the county on this occasion and Mr. Van Swearingen is the additional law judge.

### BIG BANQUET.

Will Be Given Tomorrow Night by the Knights of Malta.  
What promises to be a feast of unusual interest is the First Annual Banquet to be given tomorrow evening in the Title & Trust hall by the Knights of Malta.

### SUES FOR NOTE.

Brownsville Institution Seeks to Recover \$15,000.  
Uniontown, December 31.—The National Deposit Bank of Brownsville has entered suit to recover \$15,000 from W. S. Kaiser and W. T. Daugherty.

### Mandolin Club Dance.

The ninth annual New Year's dance of the Portnightly Mandolin Club will be held this evening in Markell's hall. A large number of invitations are out and the affair promises to be a most enjoyable one.

### Poor Horse's Nose Itched; He Threw Trolley Signal.

It was a mere horse that caused the trouble, yet for a while three trolley cars were derailed, wondering what had happened. Yesterday afternoon three cars stopped in front of the First National Bank building waiting for the fourth to put in its appearance. The block signals showed that a car should be coming down Main street hill, yet the coach failed to put in its appearance. The regular southbound main line car had not yet thrown off the signals, still the northbound block light burned brightly in its socket. The car was a Vanderbilt car was due to leave, and it was pulled up behind the regular northbound main line car.

### FEW OFFENDERS.

Have Been Arrested by the Police for Past Several Days.  
Few offenders have been arrested by the police during the past several days and order has been exceptionally good. On Saturday night only one offender was picked up and he left a forfeit, failing to appear for a hearing. There were no arrests Sunday and only one yesterday.

### Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION.

To Be Held All Day Tomorrow at Association Room.

### AFTERNOON FOR THE CHILDREN.

In the Evening There Will Be Exercises in the Gymnasium and the Educational Rooms—The Committee in Charge.

Preparations for the popular reception at the Young Men's Christian Association are going forward rapidly. A force of decorators are at work putting the building into shape, and all things will be in readiness to receive the hundreds that crowd this popular institution at these splendid occasions.

The music, consisting of orchestra, piano, male chorus, or solo, etc., will be informally rendered at intervals during the hours. The last 20 minutes of each hour will be given over to fun in the gymnasium.

### THREE IN ONE.

Shot Gun, Accidentally Discharged, in Jurea Father, Stepmother and Dog.  
One shot, accidentally discharged, did a lot of damage at Star Junction one day recently when the gun of Jesse Strickler let go. Strickler's father, stepmother and dog all stopped a portion of the charge, which fortunately did not hit the dog.

### Director Frank Ridgeway Dies.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Frank Ridgeway, Director of the Department of Public Safety of Pittsburgh, died this morning at 12:40 o'clock in the West Penn hospital of typhoid pneumonia, after an illness of several weeks.

### The New Year.

The banks and postoffice will observe tomorrow as a holiday. Other business will be conducted in Connellsville and New Haven as usual.

### Going to Germany.

Andrew Haas is planning a trip to Germany for a party composed of Charles W. Wenzel, of Brownsville, formerly of Connellsville, Michael Siler, of the Hotel Elmhurst, Greensburg, and Sam S. Clark of Connellsville. They will sail in June.

### Mrs. Hunter's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sidney A. Hunter will take place from her late residence on East Fairview avenue tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. A. Bidle will officiate. Interment private in Hill Grove cemetery.

### SUSPECT CAUGHT.

John Russell of Franklin Township Is Charged With the Star Junction Holdups.

After a chase of five or six miles across the country from Star Junction towards Star Junction, John Russell, a well known character who lived near Hill's Bridge, in Franklin township, was arrested late yesterday afternoon charged with being the ringleader of the gang which held up Dr. James L. Cochran of Star Junction and several other men in the neighborhood of Star Junction and Perryopolis Saturday and Sunday nights.

### GOES TO BALTIMORE.

Chief of Police Rottler Left Last Night With William Gins, Arrested Here.

Chief of Police B. Rottler left last evening for Baltimore, leaving with him William Gins, alias William Johns, the alleged insurance man arrested here Thursday with a large amount of money on his person.

### STONE QUARRY NOT INCLUDED.

In Sheriff's Sale of the Fayette Sand Company's Plant.

In the notice of a Sheriff's sale published yesterday it was stated that the property of the Fayette Sand Company, held at Sheriff's sale on Saturday included the Porter Hill stone quarry. This is incorrect.

### Entertained C. C. Society.

Miss Bortin Cunningham entertained the C. C. Society of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school last evening at her home on East Main street.

### Epidemic of Measles.

An epidemic of measles and chicken pox in Southwest Greensburg prevented the reopening of the public schools there, and the Board of Directors has been requested to keep the schools closed until all danger of contagion has passed.

### Declared an Extra Dividend.

The Directors of the Westmoreland National Bank have declared an extra dividend of 3 per cent, payable January 1. The regular dividend periods are April and October.

### Glassblower Incarcerated.

Peter Phillips, a glassblower, was committed in a fire which destroyed the factory of the Uniontown Flint Glass Company last night.

### Locked in the Postoffice.

Hotel Porter Has a Fright.

Wayman Strango, porter at the Wyman Hotel, had a strange experience last night that has thoroughly convinced him that it is easy to get into trouble and mighty hard to get out of it.

### Hurt at Rockwood.

Ernest Ansell of Staunton, Va., aged 21 years, was brought to the Cottage State hospital this morning suffering from concussion of the brain. He met with the accident at Rockwood this morning.

### Miss Lang Returns.

Miss Creta Lang, stenographer for the West Penn Railways, returned this morning from her home in New Bethlehem, where she has been for several months. Miss Lang was seriously ill for some time and has just recovered.

### SERVICE REDUCED.

Fairchance Patrons Will Go Back to 40 Minute Cars.

Beginning January 3 the third car on the Fairchance line will be taken off and 40 minute service throughout the entire day resumed. Orders to that effect have been issued by the West Penn.

### NO TRUSTEE IS NAMED.

At Meeting of the Reese-Hammond Creditors at Greensburg.

### W. F. SOISSON THE RECEIVER.

At Present for Defunct Fire Brick Company and Clearfield County Man Want Place and Neither Had Votes Enough at Yesterday's Meeting.

Special to The Courier.  
GREENSBURG, Dec. 31.—The first meeting of the unsecured creditors of the bankrupt Reese-Hammond Fire Brick Company, incorporated, with works at Belvoir, this county, and Garfield, across the river in Indiana county, was held here yesterday before Judge B. Rottler, of Greensburg, referee in bankruptcy for this district.

The main business was to submit and prove up the claims and to select a trustee. Ninety-five creditors from all sections of the state were present and claims aggregating \$240,000, which is all in addition to the bonded indebtedness of the concern, were filed.

The selection of a trustee went by the board and such official will be appointed by Referee Keenan, no date having been set for this action. There appears to be two factions among the creditors and each had a candidate in the persons of W. F. Soisson, of Connellsville, the receiver of the defunct concern, and Archibald Davidson, of Curwensville, Clearfield county.

The fight for the trusteeship was a bitter one, but when the balloting had been concluded it was found that neither the candidates had a majority, either of the number of creditors present, or of the amount of indebtedness represented. The creditors thus having failed to select the trustee the matter is up to the Referee in bankruptcy for disposal.

No report was made by Receiver Soisson of the fire brick works valuation or on the amount of available assets. The exact amount of indebtedness is not definitely known, but as stated before, only \$240,000 of the unsecured claims were represented at the meeting. Of these claims there are a number from workmen for wages at the Belvoir and Garfield plants.

The Reese-Hammond Company made two issues of bonds secured by first and second mortgage upon the company's plants. The holders of these bonds are preferred creditors. The bond issues amount to \$350,000. If a sale of the plants is decided upon these bonds will have to be redeemed before the unsecured claims of \$240,000 can be paid off. It is not believed that a sale of the plant would result in the holders of unsecured claims receiving more than a small percentage of the amounts owing.

### Latrobe Pastor Resigns.

Rev. Dr. B. C. Flack of the First Presbyterian church, Latrobe, announced his resignation to his congregation last Sunday morning. He has been called to Scranton.

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Strango was badly scared when released. He said that all the time he was locked in he felt that some one was going to take him for a burglar and shoot at him. He almost smashed the plate glass windows in an endeavor to attract the attention of persons going by the door, but all but the one man went laughing along, thinking that he was just "fooling."

## FITZGERALD HAS AN OFFER FROM THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

**General Manager of B. & O. Who Resigned May Take Position With the Big Western Railroad.**

### SERVICES AT ST. JOHN'S.

Will Be Held This Evening and Tomorrow Morning.  
Services will be held this evening at 7 o'clock in the German Lutheran church on Carnegie avenue. Rev. Geo. Dietz, pastor. The subject of the sermon is taken from St. Peter, chapters 1, 5 and 7: "Casting All Your Care Upon Him, for He Careth for You."

### APPEAL TO CONGRESS.

Will Be Asked to Reimburse Insurance Concerns for Mine Disaster Policies Paid.

Congress will be asked to reimburse insurance companies at the expense of mine owners if the operators are found guilty of negligence in the McGonagh, Namm and Durr disasters. Officers of the National Slavonic Association met in Pittsburg yesterday and framed a set of resolutions, asking Congress to pass an act whereby coal companies must pay insurance due beneficiaries if carelessness is proved in the conduct of a wrecked mine. President A. J. Pytkalla of the First Catholic Union, also Mutual Insurance Company, was present. The two insurance concerns will co-operate in the movement. The Catholic Union has 32,000 policy holders and the Slavonic Association has 20,000. Each society pays a death benefit of \$1,000.

Industrial insurance companies dealing largely with the foreign workmen in mines and mills have been seriously crippled by successive coal mine disasters. It is claimed that if culpability on the part of mine owners is proved the insurance company officials will be able to recover a large part of the sum paid in benefits.

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The Porter Hill stone quarry is controlled by Frank Mitchell of Connellsville and is a substantial and his paying business in sound financial circumstances.

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### PASSED THROUGH TOWN TODAY.

Hurried to Chicago Saturday Afternoon After Having Disagreement With Vice President Potter, and Following His Resignation.

General Manager Thomas Fitzgerald of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, who resigned Saturday afternoon following a violent disagreement over the operating policy of the road with Vice President G. L. Potter in the general offices at Baltimore, it is stated on pretty reliable authority, has been offered a place with the Illinois Central railroad with headquarters in Chicago. Mr. Fitzgerald, after his resignation Saturday, left hurriedly for Chicago. He arrived there on Sunday and this morning passed through Connellsville on his return to Baltimore. It was reported from Baltimore late Saturday night that Mr. Fitzgerald had recommended his resignation, and that a new place would be tendered him by President Oscar G. Murray of the Baltimore & Ohio. This, according to the Chicago story, will not be accepted by Mr. Fitzgerald, though his relations with President Murray are of the pleasantest character. The position offered Mr. Fitzgerald with the Illinois Central, it is understood, is equally as good as that he has just resigned with the Baltimore & Ohio.

General Manager Fitzgerald, Vice President Potter, did not agree in many points on the operating policy of the Baltimore & Ohio system. Mr. Potter, who is in charge of this end of the railroad, also represents the Pennsylvanian interests in the B. & O. Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio policies have never harmonized very well when brought into contact with each other.

According to a report from Chicago, the confirmation of which is not given, Mr. Fitzgerald met President Harahan of the Illinois Central there and was tendered a place with the big Western railroad. President Harahan many years ago, when Mr. Fitzgerald was getting a start with the B. & O., was also an employee of the B. & O. Their friendship has been of long standing.

Mr. Fitzgerald was not seen when he passed through Connellsville this morning. He was joined at Pittsburg by General Superintendent Robert Finney and at the local station Superintendent J. J. Driscoll got on his car and proceeded as far as Cumberland. An inquiry as to why Mr. Fitzgerald made so hasty a return from Chicago official that perhaps he was hurrying back to Baltimore before his 1907 pass expired.

### BOOMS MILLER.

Commissioner M. E. Townsend Thinks Jefferson Township Assessor "Best Ever."

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 31.—Although Commissioner M. E. Townsend voted in Perry and has his affections in that locality most of the time, he is taking a day off to boost a candidate down in Jefferson township. Commissioner Townsend, thinks that Joseph W. Miller of that township is the best Assessor in the county and doesn't hesitate to say so. He exhibits Miller's books with much pride.

Many of the Assessors have made their returns, but none of them has anything on Miller whose book is legible, neat and up to date. Miller doesn't copy from previous assessments, says Townsend, yet he covers his district as quickly as anyone.

The bill handed in by Assessor Miller this year was \$68.82. Here are some of the bills from other districts: Connellsville township.....\$24.82 Belleville.....75.53 Fayette City.....75.53 Upper Tyrone.....76.45 Connellsville, First Ward.....75.74

### Killed in the Mine.

George, familiarly known as "Nick" Prister, the sixteen-year-old son of Joseph Prister, of Greensburg, was instantly killed on Monday by a fall of coal in the "Crows" West mine of the Keystone Coal & Coke Company.

Steel Rails for B. & O.  
Baltimore & Ohio railroad executives are said to have completed specifications for 35,000 tons of steel rails for 1908 delivery.



## CANDIDATES ARE CIRCULATING THEIR NOMINATION PAPERS.

Chief Interest in Borough Elections Coming Year Will Be  
the Fight in Several Wards for School Director.

### TWO COUNCILMEN TO ELECT.

Terms of Both Incumbents in the First Ward Expire—Two School Directors to Elect from Same Ward. Some Prospective Candidates.

The local political pot is beginning to boil with a vengeance and a number of nomination papers are being circulated about town. Several of the candidates are working quietly and will not announce their names until after all papers have been properly filed.

The First Ward will be the principal battle ground this spring as there are no borough officers to be elected. In the First Ward there are two Councilmen, two School Directors and a Constable to be elected.

In the Second Ward the voters must be content with selecting a Constable while that honor is all that the Third has at stake, except to elect two School Directors.

In addition to a Constable in the Fourth Ward there are two vacancies in the School Board to be filled. Little is heard from the Fourth where the class are working quietly.

It is understood that neither George Porter nor John Deen will run for Council again in the First Ward. This leaves the field clear for the new aspirants. Among the names mentioned is J. Melvin Gray who will be one of the Democratic aspirants, while Dr. J. French Kerr and John Koser will be Republican candidates. It is stated a paper is out for A. P. Miller, a brick engineer at present living at the Wyman Hotel, but he will hardly run.

J. S. Darr and James L. Fries will be candidates for the School Board. For Constable, Wm. Chief J. W. Mitchell will be a candidate on the Republican ticket.

In the Second Ward the Democrats will have a chance to see some fun over the nomination for Constable (Chief of Police Rottler, who now holds the job, and who has had a lease on it for several terms, will meet former Chief of Police John H. Desmole, who is to be a candidate.

In the Third Ward Constable Charles Wilson will again be a Democratic candidate, but his opponent has not announced himself.

It is said that George Hetzel will again oppose the nomination of Joseph T. Griesbach on the Democratic ticket in the Fourth. Hetzel ran against Griesbach three years ago on the famous Citizens' ticket and gave him a hot run.

There are whispers of a Citizens' ticket in the Fourth ward as an anti of landing on the School Board, but this cannot be confirmed. The rumor is to the effect that D. C. Hilgert and Dr. W. J. Balliet aspire to seats in that ward, but this morning Hilgert denied aspirations along that line. It is understood that President W. S. Schenck will not be a candidate for reelection, but he announced his decision so many months ago that there has been time for him to reconsider it.

It is not known who will aspire to represent the Third ward on the School Board again. It is thought that Thomas Holt will be a candidate for reelection on the Democratic ticket.

### HARDEN'S TRIAL.

Final Pleadings Were Begun Today in Famous Case Against the German Editor.

BORLAIN, Dec. 31.—Final pleadings were begun today in the case against Editor Maximilian Harden of Die Zeitung, accused of libeling General Von Moltke and other knights of the Round Table. It is expected that judgment will be rendered Thursday. It is generally believed that the case is going strongly against Harden.

The editor is weak from illness and plainly shows by his dependent manner that he believes himself certain of defeat. Moltke on the other hand, chief witness against him, is jubilantly cheerful.

### MEN ARE SUSPENDED.

Pennsylvania Lays Off 350 Men in West Hollidaysburg Yards. HOI LIDAYSBURG, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company this morning suspended 350 men in the East Hollidaysburg freight yards. The reduction means the cessation of freight operation on the Petersburg branch of the company.

The Rosabelle Leslie Co. A strong dramatic organization at the Seaton Theatre all this week, opens Monday, December 30, with "Never Too Late to Mend." Prices, 10, 20, 30 and 50 cents. Seats at the box office of theatre. Both phones.

Invitations for Dance. Invitations are out for a dance to be held Thursday evening in Cochran hall under the committee of Rev. Neville Earl Porter and John McGill. Music will be furnished by Moore's four piece orchestra from Greensburg.

### THREE MORE BODIES

Total List of Darr Victims Now Numbers 223. JACOBS CHIEF, Dec. 31.—Three more bodies were recovered from the Darr mine this morning. The bodies were found under plate in room No. 27. One of the bodies was identified. The total number of men killed is now 223.

### WOMAN SAVES MEN.

Caught in the Meshes of Telephone Wires Charged With Electricity She Uses Rubbers.

United Press Telegram. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The quick wit of a woman girl saved the lives of four men who were killed. The woman was caught in the meshes of telephone wires which broke down during the storm and fell across a trolley wire rendering the men unconscious. The woman pulled out her rubbers and offered them to release the victims from the deadly wire.

All the men refused. The woman immediately unfastened her blouse and released the victims. The unconscious men were hurriedly removed to the hospitals where it is said they will recover. The young heroine put on her rubbers and quietly left. She refused to give her name.

### NEW HAVEN WON.

Defeated Dunbar in Three Close Bowls.

On the New Haven all-stars last night the boys across the river took the Dunbar outfit into camp by winning two out of three close games. The final score was 2,342 for New Haven to 2,216 for Dunbar. Hamming rolled the highest number of points having 185 pins down in the first game. The score,

	New Haven	Dunbar	Total
Anthony	10	10	20
Marble	125	111	236
Hessel	11	10	21
Arnold	120	100	220
Hamming	185	203	388
	710	804	1,514
McFarland	140	172	312
Porter	110	100	210
Morgan	110	140	250
McGivern	170	180	350
Wagner	100	100	200
	720	818	1,538

### RURAL DELIVERY OFFICERS

Elected at Meeting of Westmoreland Carriers on Saturday.

The R. F. D. carriers of Westmoreland county met at Greensburg Saturday evening and elected officers for the following year, as follows: President, H. M. Burger; Vice President, Wm. H. Bell; Secretary, J. S. Ludwig; Treasurer, J. A. Anthony. The standing committee was then named by the chair. It is composed of the following: B. A. Sumy of Mt. Pleasant; C. C. Ankeny of Latrobe and Samuel Kunkle of Irwin. The next annual banquet will be held at Irwin on February 22.

### ALICE NOT COMING.

Countess of Yarmouth Will Not Attend Second Trial of Brother, NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Harry K. Thaw's counsel announced today that the Countess of Yarmouth will not come to this country from England for her brother's trial. The princess's mother, although very ill, will arrive in New York Friday for a conference with her son's chief counsel, Martin Littleton.

Mrs. Thaw is coming to Pittsburgh in a motor car against her physician's advice.

### RAILROAD Y. M. C. A.

Some Talk of Establishing Branch in Connelville.

There is some talk of the Baltimore & Ohio establishing a branch of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. in Connelville to be operated in connection with the local association.

Nothing definite has been done concerning the project but friends of the movement favor the erection of an addition to the present Association building, by the railroad.

### Infant Child Dead.

John Edward Barnhart, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barnhart died yesterday, aged 6 months. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of the child's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meyer interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

### Took Carbolic Acid.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Albert Seitz of Philadelphia committed suicide at noon today in the Union depot basement by drinking carbolic acid.

### Totipot Injured.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Count Leo Totipot was thrown from his horse today and suffered a dislocated shoulder. Despite his age the patient is doing well.

### IN TEXAS.

Geo. W. Lechleiter 1, Visiting in the Lone Star State.

George W. Lechleiter, who some time ago sold his Indian Valley farm to the Indian Creek Coal Company and since bought a new residence on the Capt. J. M. Iushane 140 acre daily farm in the Gilman Valley, east of town, accompanied by his son went last week to Cross Ranch in South Western Texas to visit the homes of some prominent Connelville people and the country where one may see planning done in every month of the year. Four crops are raised in each year there.

A letter just received from them says he shot a deer and they have venison there in a day. They expect to return home next week.

### FORGETFUL MURDERER

In Switzerland Is Sentenced to 18 Years Imprisonment.

SWITZERLAND, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The forgetful murderer, who could not remember having killed, a little girl in the forest near Unterwalden, Canton of Thurgovie, until shown the bloody knife with which he committed the crime, was sentenced to eighteen years imprisonment this morning.

The man, I was, had killed the little girl, but it didn't hit his conscience. When shown the knife he said now I remember, and gave full particulars of the murder.

### NEW COAL FIELD.

May Soon Be Opened in Washington County.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—(Special)—Surveyors, presumably in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, have been making a survey of Ton Mile Creek from the new coal shafts of the Pittsburgh and Company near Zollarsville to the Washington and Western railroad. The survey was made by the Pittsburgh Buffalo and Washington and Western coal companies along the route of the proposed road.

### LEONA ELIZABETH ILLIG.

Infant Child Died. Gibson Home Yesterday.

Leona Elizabeth Illig, the six months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Illig, died yesterday at their home on Pittsburgh street. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon interment in the new St. Joseph's cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Stimmell.

The funeral of the late Miss Emma Stimmell took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of her nephew, James H. Kelly on East Main street. The services were largely attended. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

### Bishop Andews Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Bishop Edw. G. Andrews of the New York East Catholic of the Most Holy Episcopal church died today at his home in Iroquois.

### Highwaymen in Automobile.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 31.—(Special)—Two men in an automobile held up a trolley car this morning and relieved the crew of a chest containing \$2,800.

### French Minister of Justice Dead.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—(Special)—The Minister of Justice, Domenege, died of apoplexy. He has been prominent in French politics.

### Torpedo Boat Lost at Para.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(Special)—A cablegram to the Navy Department announced the loss of the torpedo boat Scylla at Para Brazil.

### Matinee Every Day.

Except Monday at the Seaton Theatre all this week. Prices 10, 20 and 30.

### NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters From the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Nice band given at the home of Mrs. J. E. Johnson of Main street.

A E. Wagoner is confined to his home on Main street with a fever.

Miss Kearney of Vanderbilt was in town yesterday in business.

Mrs. Tim McQuinn and daughter Margaret of Main street were guests Sunday at the home of Mrs. John Campbell at 501 First.

Misses McQuinn and Francis Shop of Smithson were the guests of Mrs. L. C. Rhodes on Main street over Sunday.

The Fighting Chance, our next serial story, begins tomorrow. Don't miss reading a chapter.

John Nard, a well known Uplandtown merchant was calling on friends in Connelville today. He is just back from business in New York, Westmoreland and Somerset counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Miller of South Connelville have returned home from a visit with friends in Stevensville.

Elmer Smith of New Haven was transacting business in Uplandtown yesterday.

If you see this notice at \$10.00 placed on a white wall, you will see it. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright and their family returned home last evening from Buckhannon, W. Va., where they were visiting Mr. Wright's brother, Mr. W. L. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Fitter are in Uplandtown this afternoon attending the funeral of the latter's cousin, John Fitter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKee will entertain the F. F. Club this evening at their home on Washington street. The regular meeting of the North Side Silver Lining Club which was to have been held here last evening at the home of Mrs. A. J. Haines on Washington street was postponed.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKee will entertain the F. F. Club this evening at their home on Washington street. The regular meeting of the North Side Silver Lining Club which was to have been held here last evening at the home of Mrs. A. J. Haines on Washington street was postponed.

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### Rheumatism Cannot Be Cured Unless Uric-O Is Used.

Sudden Death, Heart Failure and Paralysis Are Caused by Poisonous Uric Acid and Rheumatic Acids.

The Rheumatic person is skeptical regarding the claims of almost any remedy advertised as a cure for Rheumatism and one can scarcely blame him for being so. All the plasters and liniments combined never actually cured a case of Rheumatism. They may relieve it for a time but it is sure to break out somewhere else. The only way to cure Rheumatism is to drive it from the system for as long as the Uric and Rheumatic Acid remains in the blood one is never completely free from the trouble. This is where the value of Uric-O as a permanent cure for Rheumatism comes in. It acts out the Rheumatic poison in the blood muscles and kidneys renders it inert and harmless and drives it out of the system. That is why Uric-O is such a admirable and effective cure for Rheumatism.

The chief reason that Uric-O is such a wonderful cure for Rheumatism is that it is designed and prepared to cure Rheumatism and Rheumatism only. It is composed of perfect antidotes for the rheumatic acid poison in the system. That is the reason of its wonderful success. Rheumatism simply cannot exist in a person's system if Uric-O is used.

Uric-O is sold by druggists at 75c and 10c the bottle but if you still feel skeptical about its efficacy you can test it free of charge by cutting out this advertisement and sending same, together with your name and address, also the name of your druggist, to The Smith Drug Company, 311 Smith Bridge, Syracuse, N. Y. and they will send you a sample bottle free. To persons who write and say they have never used Uric-O and want to test it thoroughly and will agree to take it systematically, we are willing to send them a sample bottle free of charge. We are willing to send them a sample bottle free of charge.

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DAILY, \$3.00 per year; 10 per copy. WEEKLY, \$1.00 per year; 10 per copy. PAY NO MONEY to carriers, but only to collectors with proper credentials.

Any breach of contract in the delivery of The Courier to homes by the carriers in Connellsville or our agents for other towns should be reported to this office at once.

**ADVERTISING.**  
THE DAILY COURIER has double the circulation of any other daily newspaper in Fayette county. The Courier is published every day except on Sundays and public holidays. It is the only paper that prints each week several statements of circulation. THE WEEKLY COURIER is the organ of the Connellsville coke trade and of the powerful industries in Fayette county.

**ADVERTISING RATES** furnished on application. We offer in Fayette county and the Connellsville coke region the most publicity for the least money.

**TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 31, 1907.**

## THE LAW OF 1903 AND CONGRESSIONAL TERMS.

The statement in the Courier of yesterday, that the Third Ward would elect two members of Town Council this year, has been called into question, but the question still remains questionable.

The Act of 1903 was drawn for the purpose of making elections to the office of Town Councilmen uniform throughout the State. There still remained a few boroughs which were electing their Town Councilmen at large, and the Act of 1903 specifically applied to all boroughs "in which the Councilmen are now elected at large." The inference was plain that it did not apply to boroughs which were electing their Councilmen by wards as Connellsville had been doing for years.

The Democratic party managers of Connellsville, seized upon the law to perpetuate their waning power. They borough had been electing its Councilman under a previous law which provided for the election of one Councilman annually from each ward, to serve for two years. At the midnight hour of the last day for filing nominations at the election of 1904, when the law became effective, the Democratic managers filed additional nominations in each ward, and there being no opposition these additional candidates were elected. The court subsequently sustained this proceeding, and thus without the consent of the people of Connellsville, Democratic rule, which was verging toward municipal rule, was prolonged.

The newly elected members drew lots under the law, and as a result the members from the First Ward were declared elected for one year; the members from the Third Ward for two years; the members from the Second and Fourth Wards for three years; and thereafter each ward elected two members to serve for three years. In 1905, the First Ward elected two members for three years. Their terms expire this spring, when their successors will be chosen for three years. The terms of the Second Ward members expired in 1906, when their successors were chosen to serve until 1907. The terms of the Second and Fourth Ward members expired in 1907, when their successors were chosen to serve until 1910. Under the Act of 1903, therefore, there will be but two members of the Council to be elected, and they will be chosen from the First Ward.

But in the meantime, the Act of 1903 was declared unconstitutional in Westmoreland county, and has not generally been regarded as binding throughout the State. As a matter of fact every borough in Pennsylvania seems to be a law unto itself in the matter of its government. Scotland, for example, rejoices in a Town Council of thirteen members.

If the Act of 1903 is unconstitutional, then the terms of the Third Ward members expire this year, and not next year.

If the law is not actually unconstitutional, it is at least very defective. It declares that after the casting of lots to determine the short and the long terms of the election of 1904, "every three years thereafter the qualified electors of each of the wards in the third class shall elect Councilmen for the said wards for a term of three years." Nothing is provided against vacancies by death or removal.

for his government, but he also has a right to official information as to the offices to be filled at each election. At the fall elections, it has long been the duty of the Sheriff to proclaim publicly the offices to be voted for. It is just as much the duty of the County Commissioners under the Uniform Primary law to proclaim the offices to be voted for in each borough and township, ward and district, at the Winter Primary.

The Commissioners of Fayette county have contented themselves with publishing a brief and general proclamation concerning the offices to be filled at the Winter Primary. We are told that Connellsville borough, for example, will nominate candidates for Town Council, School Director, etc., but in what particular wards and how many in each we are left to find out for ourselves. The publication of such a proclamation is utterly useless. The evident intent of the law is to inform the voters just how many offices are to be filled and in what wards and districts. This is the view taken of the matter in other counties, notably in Bedford county, where the papers publish the information for every ward and district in the county.

The Courier reports the hope expressed on previous occasions that some public-spirited legislator or legislators, or others, prepare a new and sensible and complete borough code to take the place of the present inchoate, conflicting and often absurd mass of laws under which Pennsylvania boroughs are endeavoring to do business. Such a code would have no difficulty of passage; and it would not only earn for its author the eternal gratitude of the constantly perplexed citizens, but it would also give such author an undying fame in the annals of the Keystone State.

Blank's Borough Code, for example, would make Blank's name famous in the legal annals of Pennsylvania. He and his posterity would feel that they had not drawn a blank.

## SAFETY AND SANITY IN MINE LAW REVISION.

The prediction is freely made that there will become drastic mining legislation passed at the next session of the Pennsylvania Legislature, and that it will be duplicated by the Legislatures of other States, notably the State of West Virginia.

Public interest is naturally aroused by the recent disastrous mine explosions in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Alabama, and it will undoubtedly result in stricter mine laws. That there is room for improvement is admitted on all sides.

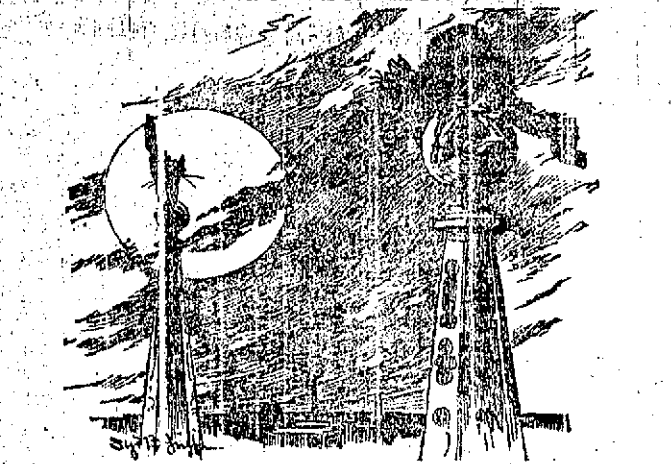
But in considering the matter the lawmakers should not be swayed by prejudice. Justice should be their standard. Neither should they assume to treat the two families enough with the subject to be above advice from those whose lives have been spent in and about the mines and have been devoted to the theory and practice of mining. The average legislator knows less about mining than he does about the Constitution, and we have abundant cause to know that his knowledge of the fundamental law is seldom profound.

The mining laws should be referred to a competent committee, and that committee should seek the advice and assistance of experts in mining. The mining laws, like the mining practices of Pennsylvania, should be models of their kind.

Much has been proposed that is excellent, and much has been suggested that is impracticable. From all this un sifted mass, the good must be separated from the bad, the useful from the impracticable, the wheat from the chaff, and the separation must be intelligent, accurate and practical. To that end ignorance must be eliminated from the equation if every legislator is compelled to take a course in mining engineering as a prerequisite to the right of speaking and voting on the question.

In revising the mining laws, safety is the first consideration and sanity perhaps the greatest.

## LOVE'S LABOR LOST.



Pauline: "See here, young fellow, the next time you make an appointment with me you want to remember that there are two spires on this church!"

its advice home, and stop preventing about everything in general and its circulation in particular.

New York has developed Knox symptoms. That Pennsylvania boom goes marching on.

Pass the primary nomination papers. Dynamite and dynamo men are a dangerous combination.

The growing use of dynamite as a murderous weapon indicates that the spirit of Russia's unlovable citizenship is extending to this free country.

Westmoreland county will start the New Year in the new court-house.

Now is the time to form Suggestion Clubs and send in the names of good men and true as Winter Primary candidates for borough and township officers.

The D. & O. freight trains have perhaps joined the Subliminal Obnoxious movement.

We hope "The Coke Producers' Association of Fayette and Westmoreland Counties" will have some Connellsville coke to sell.

Secretary Tatt, in a fit of the Big Stick or Socialism, is this country. The big Secretary stands squarely on the Roosevelt platform. His candidacy in this respect is no longer doubtful.

A Latrobe probe predicts that political activity will mark the coming time, culminating in the election of a President. This is no false prophet. He sees with a clear vision.

The man who displays his roll now is advertising for another owner.

The California, Pa. bank scandal has a woman in it, and she seems to be there without her knowledge or consent.

Some Mt. Pleasant merchants are evidently too eager to cash the Check-against-Pay.

Washington county rejoices in a heater. Greene county has had an army of heaters for a number of years. The latter is a little better off, but they are death to candidates' pocket-books.

Uncle Grover Cleveland suggests the punishment of all ex-convicts except himself. The suggestion is as proper as it is unchristian.

The nation's legitime "red" velocities for the dissemination of information are chewing up the nation's forestry at an alarming rate.

The Black Hand has a deadly grip on the bloody Klondike.

Davidson, who would be ready for the campaign of 1908 with a lanky Republican club. Nothing like being on the prepared list.

It is estimated that Wall Street will have to loosen up to the tune of \$200,000,000 in interest and dividends on the Happy New Year. That will help a whole lot.

## Classified Ads One Cent a Word.

**Wanted.**  
WANTED—TWO WASHING MACHINES. Apply HOTEL VICTORIA, New Haven, Pa. 27dcesd

**Wanted.**  
WANTED—GIRL, 16, GENERAL house work. Must also be a good cook at COULDER OUNCE. 27dcesd

**Wanted.**  
WANTED—FOR THE U. S. MARINE Corps, men between ages 21 and 35. An opportunity to see the world. For full information apply a person or by letter to HOME HOTEL, Connellsville, Pa. 27dcesd

**For Rent.**  
FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS for one or two persons and use of kitchen for couple. No. 208 COTTAGE AVENUE. 27dcesd

**For Sale.**  
FOR SALE—GOOD COAL AND prompt delivery. KATE R. SPRINGER. Tel-Satd 699-2. Terms C. O. D. 27dcesd

**For Sale.**  
FOR SALE—A BEAUTIFUL HOUSE OF 10 rooms in the new Fall woods. Suite and overcoat \$18 up. DAVIS COLLIER, Fallon. 27dcesd

**For Sale or Rent.**  
FOR SALE OR RENT—PLANNING mill, lumber and contracting business. Best location in Western Pennsylvania. Owner in the West. A HENRY EDWIN LATIMER, Wilkes Barre, Allegheny county, Pa. 27dcesd

## You Must Try

Our Women's \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.50 shoes before you can realize just how good they are. Their price may suggest cheapness but the leather, style, finish and workmanship is of a grade that will convince you that you are mistaken. The shoes we can safely guarantee in every way—perfectly solid—thoroughly made, and well worth their price. Will be glad to have you look them over at any time.

\$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50

## Norris & Hoopers'

104 W. Main Street



\$2.00, \$2.50, and \$3.00

Shoes of every grade and style for the discriminating purchaser. The importance of style in

## WOMEN'S SHOES

cannot be overestimated. If you wish to be informed on this subject call on us, our expert salesmen will assist you to a satisfactory choice. Our prices are a very attractive feature.

J. G. Gorman. J. W. Buttermore

## Gorman & Co.

122 W. MAIN STREET. SELL GOOD SHOES CHEAP.

## All Toys AND Holiday Goods

Greatly Reduced Prices.

Our Inventory Starts January 1, 1908.

Until that time we are offering remarkable values in goods of every description.

## Schmitz' NEW YORK RACKET STORE.

## YOUR DOLLAR

Will come back to you if you spend it at home. It is gone forever if you send it to the Mail-Order House. A glance through our advertising columns will give you an idea where it will buy the most.

## DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLVILLE, PA.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

For Western Pennsylvania.—Snow flurries and continued colder Tuesday and Wednesday; brisk northwest winds.

## 10 DAYS SPECIAL

Undressed Kid Gloves, black and brown, 75c \$1.00. Sale price.

Undressed Kid Gloves, black only, \$1.25. 98c Sale price.

Undressed Kid Gloves, \$1.50. \$1.10 Sale price.

Ladies' Gauntlet with 2 clasps \$1.00. 58c Sale price.

16 button length Fabric Glove 75c. 50c Sale price.

Grey only.

All Laces and Embroideries at 1/4 off, 1/3 off some.

## LACE CURTAINS

1/4 and 1/2 off.

## HOSE

Children's 15c Hose @ 10c Children's 15c Hose, fleece, 11c

Are large sizes.

## Talk to Men

Visit our silk department and purchase a nice silk waist or a suit pattern as a New Year's gift for your wife or daughter.

Visit our suit department and purchase one of our well known suits in black or colored, or a nice ready to wear waist in silk or lace as a New Year's gift for your mother or sister.

If you would rather purchase an umbrella we have them at from \$5 to \$10. Besides being thoroughly good and dependable shelters, these umbrellas are undeniably smart, in the slim lines of the 8 rib paragon frame and steel rod with mother of pearl and sterling silver and gold mounted handles which makes a very handsome gift. We have also a cheaper line at \$1, \$2, \$3 and \$4.

If you are in need of new carpets, rugs, curtains, blankets, comforts or carpet sweepers, visit our second floor where we have complete lines in all the best makes.

Household linens as New Year gifts. There is no time in the year when news of fine linens at little cost is not good news to the housekeeper, but Christmas and New Year's day is particularly timely. All of these trustworthy, handsome household linens were ordered a before linen prices reached their present pinnacle or were bought in large quantities as to overcome the rise. Don't fail to visit this department as we have some rare bargains.

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

## Happy New Year, Everybody

It's up with 1907.—Write it 1908. Remember your dates?

Remember, too, that we expect to be selling the best of shoes for moderate prices during the year 1908, and that we have resolved to give every patron of this store the best shoes money can buy.

Same old platform as last year, to be sure—but we re-double our resolution every New Year.

## Had a Very Prosperous Year.

Nearly every month has gone ahead of the same month last year, about 85%, with December the biggest month in history of the store. We find also, that no other part of the buying has shown such a large increase as our buying of Walk-Over and Queen Quality. We believe they are the two greatest shoes made, and attribute our good year to them. We are sure to sell more Walk-Overs and Queen Qualities next year. We are going to buy more.

Thanking our patrons for past favors, we say again A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

## C. W. DOWNS & CO.,

## Holiday Gifts!

We have the finest line of JAPANESE WARE that has ever been shown in Connellsville. The prices are so reasonable that any person can buy. Also HAVILAND'S FRENCH WARE at prices that have never been equaled.

## FURNITURE

of all descriptions for Holiday presents at prices that will astonish you.

## Special on Japanese Ware.

Hundreds of Designs at Only 35c

## Wallace Furniture Company.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLVILLE, PA.



# HELD SUGGESTIONS.

**Republicans and Democrats of East Huntingdon Twp. Met at Alverton.**

## WILL BE A WARM CAMPAIGN.

New Year's Affairs in the Mill Town. Farmers' Institute Arranged for Y. M. C. A. Reception for Wednesday Evening.

SCOTTSVILLE, Dec. 31.—The Republicans and Democrats of West Huntingdon township met at Alverton on Saturday and suggested candidates for the spring election, which promises from surface indications to be one of the warmest that was ever fought out in the township. The ones named of course will not prove a monopoly of having their names on the official ballot for the primary if anyone else files nomination papers on or before the fourth of this month. The Republicans had a well attended meeting, at which J. L. Larkin was again suggested for Justice of the Peace. There are two School Directors to be nominated and the suggestions were for W. S. Larkin, J. H. Miller and Bert Francis. The Supervisors' Board, one of the most important offices in the township whose roads do not excite envy in other townships from their surpassing goodness, will elect two members. James Campbell, the well known farmer of west of Scottsville; Herman Gerson of Alverton; William B. Stoner, who has been on the job as a Supervisor, and J. L. Lark will come up at the primaries. Harry Kelly was suggested for Township Auditor; Page King for Constable, and W. C. Myers for Township Clerk. The Democrats were alive to their opportunities and named a full ticket to go before the primaries. John Bennett, at present a Supervisor; Peter Kessler and Henry Lowe were suggested as candidates for the Board of Supervisors. For School Directors David Cowan and Henry Hayes will be in the arena, while William Lighty is named for Township Clerk; Wilson Ramsey for Constable, Samuel Billheimer for Justice of the Peace, and J. C. Behard for Auditor.

Another mountain storm struck the town Monday evening with a big wind that damaged trees, blew down awnings that had been left out and put out the lights. There was some snow with it.

The postoffice will be closed at 11:30 on New Year's Day and remain closed the balance of the day. The mails will be dispatched as usual. The school, too, will be closed all day tomorrow.

The annual New Year's reception will be held at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms Wednesday evening, with quite an extended program from 7:30 to 10 o'clock. It will begin with an informal reception, and at 8 o'clock "Our Country's Calendar of Fame" will be produced in the gymnasium. At 8:30 there will be a musical program, in which the most prominent musicians and singers will appear.

The annual election of officers of the Scottsville Iron & Steel Workers' Beneficial Association resulted as follows: C. L. Graft, President; L. E. Schaeffer, Vice President; J. J. Hawthorne, Secretary; R. P. Percy, Treasurer; G. B. Mullinger, J. H. Miller, G. K. Risher, William Weaver, H. M. Davis, J. A. Grimm and L. M. Schaeffer, Trustees.

The Prohibitionists of the Third ward will meet, it is announced, at the real estate office of F. C. Wray this evening to talk over the political situation.

A number of farmers gathered at the Hotel Kromer on Monday and arranged for the Farmers' Institutes which will be held here on Wednesday and Thursday, January 29 and 30. The State Department of Agriculture will have the matter in charge and some of the best lecturers will be here. The sessions will be held in the rooms of the Peterson Business College.

Among the real estate transfers noted at Greensburg are: John Shively, land in East Huntingdon township, to John B. Smith for \$3,850; April 3, 1937; F. A. Black Manufacturing Company, land in East Huntingdon township, to Ralph E. Loucks for \$2,800; December 26, 1937.

### TRY TO KILL PRIEST.

Dynamite Exploded Under Rectory Following Interference in Strike. GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The third attempt at assassination of the Rev. Father John Chaschlik of Export was made Sunday night when the parish house was partially wrecked and an adjoining two-story frame residence, occupied by two foreign families, was destroyed. The attempts to kill the priests were made, it is said, because he exerted his influence to break the strike of the miners of the Westmoreland Coal Company at Export.

**Mr. Pleasant Marriage.** MT. PLEASANT, Dec. 30.—James W. Pore, the well known local trap runner, and the youngest son of Mrs. S. J. Pore of Main street, and Miss Mary Agnes Durkin of this place were quietly married today at 5:15 P. M. at the Vine street residence of her mother, Mrs. Harry Reed. Justice of the Peace L. S. Rhoades officiated.

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

At the Home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Riley, Youngwood. DUNBAR, Dec. 31.—One of the pleasantest social occasions that has marked the life of the bustling little town of Youngwood, Pa., occurred last Friday at the beautifully appointed home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Riley, it being the second anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Riley was formerly Miss Mary Belle Minard of Dunbar.

## CLEVER ACTING

By Rosabele Leslie and Her Company at the New Solon Theatre Last Night.

If enthusiasm and appreciation counts for anything, that which greeted Rosabele Leslie and her talented company at their opening performance at the New Solon last evening indicates that they will be greeted with big houses during the remainder of the engagement. "It's Never Too Late to Mend," a melodrama of strenuous tendency, was given in an admirable manner, due acting, stunts and the entire production surpassing that of many attractions which exact a higher price of admission. Miss Leslie as "Audrey" scored an immediate and pronounced hit, giving the character an individuality and earnestness and purpose that is uncommon among those of her class. She is a talented little woman who demonstrated that she is at home either in emotional or comic roles. Her entire supporting company is adequate in every respect, being, without any doubt, the strongest and most capable that has ever been seen upon the local stage at cheap prices, while the scenic display is complete in the minutest detail.

"A Little Outcast," which was seen here some season since at high prices, will be the attraction this evening, with Miss Leslie in the title role of "Bob the Outcast." She is said to be exceedingly clever as a boy. "The Gypsy Girl" will be given New Year's matinee and night. An amateur contest will be an additional feature Friday evening.

## OCCUPY NEW COURT HOUSE.

Officials Have Moved Into Splendid \$2,000,000 Structure.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The county officials and their clerical forces yesterday moved fixtures and records to the magnificent new \$2,000,000 court house, just completed after being five years in course of construction. The date of dedication has not been fixed. By this evening all the transfers to the new court house will have been completed and the newly elected officials to take the oath of office next Monday will be comfortably installed in commodious quarters.

The first marriage license in the new court house was granted to Matt Koris and Annie Cardrich of Luxor, this county. They had met but three times before they decided to unite their fortunes. Both are Austrians. The last license granted in the old court house was to an old soldier, whose name is withheld by the officials at his own request.

## BIG CONVENTION.

Uniontown Moose Are Getting Busy for It Next August.

Uniontown Lodge No. 20, Loyal Order of the Moose, will in next August entertain the National convention of that order, with many delegates from all over the country. This is quite an honor for Uniontown, and the local members will spare no efforts to do themselves proud in the way of entertainment.

The Uniontown Lodge of Moose was organized on June 20 last, with 125 members. The present membership is 170. The officers to be installed this week are: Elmer D. Marsh, Past Worthy Dictator; Charles M. Poe, First Past Worthy Dictator; Fred N. Plerce, Proctor; J. W. Brown, Vice Worthy Dictator; Nathan Divins, Worthy Dictator; F. P. Aiburt, Worthy Treasurer.

**Widow's Appraisement Approved.** In the estate of the late Florida Widor of Dunbar township, the widow's appraisement was presented and approved at Uniontown yesterday. T. P. Jones is the administrator. The appraisers, Roy V. Bowden and S. B. Decker set aside \$300 in cash for the benefit of the widow.

**John H. Cope Dead.** John H. Cope, a well known citizen of Uniontown, died at his home on Ben Leonard street at 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, aged 68 years.

**Begin Laying Rails.** The Pittsburg and Westmoreland Railway Company has started track laying from Cope's hill to the Irwin borough line.

# COKE PRODUCERS HAVE ORGANIZED.

Forty Companies Represented at Meeting in Uniontown.

## PERMANENT OFFICERS CHOSEN

For the Ensuing Year With O. W. Kennedy as President and George B. Irvin as Permanent Secretary.

Association's Object.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 31.—The independent coke producers of the Connellsville region at a meeting held here last night formally organized the Coke Producers' Association of Fayette and Westmoreland counties. Forty companies were represented. Officers were elected, committees appointed and permanent quarters chosen in the First National Bank building. O. W. Kennedy of the Orient Coke Company was elected President, and George B. Irvin, another prominent independent operator and veteran coke man, was chosen Vice President. George B. Irvin, for many years a Superintendent for the Frick Company, was elected Secretary of the Association and will devote all of his attention to its welfare. The Executive Committee is in session of the following: L. W. Egan; T. J. Snyder; O. W. Kennedy; W. J. Stone and Harry Whipple.

It is the idea to eliminate "throat cutting," correct abuses of various kinds, deal with the transportation and labor situation and meet the market on a unified basis. It is stated the organization will not be antagonistic to the Frick Coke Company, but rather in consonance with it on all matters of common interest.

## PERRY POLIS.

Paragraphs From Famous Old Village Washington Laid Out.

PERRYVILLE, Dec. 31.—A pleasant surprise was awaiting Prof. Snyder and wife last evening when the High School students turned in on them about eight o'clock. Mrs. Snyder was playing the piano and Mr. Snyder was in the study when a crash at the door brought them to their feet. In a few minutes Walter Lee, a post graduate, was making a presentation speech, presenting to Prof. Snyder a handsome and costly set of the High School students. The evening was spent in songs and music and after a short interval a social hour, leaving Mr. and Mrs. Snyder in a mood of enjoyment.

"The Fighting Game," our past serial story, begins tomorrow. Don't miss reading a chapter. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kauter and wife of Layton were town visitors Sunday evening.

The Republicans of Perry Co. will hold a suggestion meeting in the public room January 2 at 8 o'clock to determine who is to place on the ticket for nomination for county clerk.

Prof. Snyder, formerly of this township, but who is now attending the West Virginia University, was here recently.

G. W. Martin returned from Pittsburgh, where he spent his Christmas vacation.

Miss Hattie Blair, telephone central at the T. B. B. in this town, and sister, Gertrude Russell, is helping the people for the present.

## OHIO PYLE.

Notes From the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough.

OHIO PYLE, Dec. 31.—J. A. Sellers, manager of the Grand nickelodeon and skating rink of Connelldale, was calling on friends in town Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sellers, after spending Saturday and Sunday with friends and relatives near here, returned to their home in Pittsburgh.

Robert Wade, who has been visiting relatives near Pittsburgh for the past few days, returned to his home here on Monday.

James Reese was a fisherman caller in Uniontown yesterday.

J. W. Chick and Stewart Strickler, who had been spending the past week at their home here, returned to their work at Dunbar Monday morning.

Mrs. D. Trotter was shopping in Connelldale Monday.

Mrs. J. A. Mitchell, who had been the guest of relatives in town for the past few days, returned to her home in Virginia yesterday.

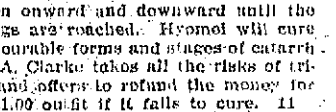
The following persons returned to their work near Uniontown yesterday after a several days' visit with relatives in town: Miss Thelma, Dan and Frank Holt, Harriet and Edna Decker, Elmer Boyd of McKeesport was calling on relatives and friends in town yesterday.

# THOUSANDS CURED.

Wonderful Success of Hyomel in Curing Cataracts, Even in Chron.

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In New York Tonight Is the  
Gayest of the  
Year.

### CUSTOM OF ALL TO CELEBRATE.

Tables at the Big Cafes Are All En-  
livened for Weeks in Advance and  
Nothing But Wine Flows After 10  
O'clock.

Special to The Courier.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The advent  
of the new year tonight will be made  
to occasion for the usual noisy dom-  
estications throughout the city of  
New York. The French custom of  
staying in the new year with carol-  
ing and revelry has gained strong hold  
in the metropolis of late years, be-  
coming more prevalent with each  
year.

It was the practice with the fathers  
and mothers of the present genera-  
tion of New Yorkers to congregate  
in the saloons of Lower Broadway  
and Wall street near the midnight  
hour to hear the chimes of old Trin-  
ity welcome the new year. The prac-  
tice still prevails, and thousands each  
year seek to get within hearing  
distance of the melodic tones from  
which come the strains of an old-  
fashioned hymn floating out on the  
midnight air.

But there are tens of thousands  
of residents of New York who desire  
more strenuous celebration in hon-  
or of the new year than to stand about  
on the cold streets and listen to the  
church bells. They and not few  
others, is the center of attraction  
of these people. In the theatre and  
restaurant districts those crowds to-  
night are expected to be the great-  
est of the year. Tables for New  
Year's Eve were engaged in all the  
fashionable hotels and restaurants  
weeks ago, and today not a vacant  
table is to be seen at any price. The  
management of the Hotel Astor has  
arranged to give a Venetian fete to  
the guests and patrons of the house  
in celebration of the New Year. The  
eighth floor of the hotel will be hung  
with scenery depicting the Grand Can-  
al, the Palace of the Doges and the  
Galleria. The guests will be seated  
in the dress and dinner rooms, and a  
fete will be the climax of the evening.

Delmonico's, Reck's, the Waldorf-  
Astoria, the Belmont, the Plaza and  
other leading restaurants and hotels  
where fashionable folk congregate  
will be the scene of similar scenes  
of revelry. At one Bohemian cafe  
the price of supper will be \$10 for  
each person, without wine, and only  
champagne will be served. In all this  
there is no suggestion of hard times  
in Gotham.

### NEW YEAR'S AT WHITE HOUSE.

President's Reception Will Begin To-  
morrow Morning at 11 O'clock.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—  
(Special.)—The arrangements com-  
pleted for the President's New Year's  
reception at the White House to-  
morrow are along the same lines as in  
previous years. The reception will  
begin at 11 o'clock in the morning and  
continue until well on in the after-  
noon. The first to be received, as us-  
ual, will be the Vice President, the  
members of the cabinet and the Dip-  
lomatic Corps.

The judicial members of Con-  
gress, officers of the Army, Navy and  
Marine Corps and other officials of  
the government will follow in the cus-  
tomary order of precedence, concluding  
with the reception to the citizens of  
Washington.

Effect a Settlement.  
A settlement has been effected in  
the suit brought recently by the West  
Penn Electric Company against West  
H. Richard and Christian Edward, par-  
tners doing business as the Edward  
Coal Company.

### POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.

What the Men Who Run the Govern-  
ment Are Doing.

Arizona and New Mexico hope to  
have six delegates each in the Re-  
publican national convention instead  
of two each as is provided in the  
call.

Lieutenant Governor Warren Garret,  
who has announced his candidacy for  
the Republican nomination for gov-  
ernor of Iowa, represents the progres-  
sive or Cummins faction. The contest  
will be decided at the primary elec-  
tion next June.

Many Brooklyn Republicans believe  
that Timothy L. Woodruff will be  
nominated for Vice President in case  
other than a New York State man  
secures the presidential honors at the  
coming Chicago convention.

The Democratic national conven-  
tion to be held in Denver in July will  
be the first national gathering of its  
kind to be held in equal suffrage terri-  
tory. It is more than probable that  
several women delegates will seek  
recognition from the convention.

There is a movement on foot to send  
former President Grover Cleveland to  
Denver next summer as one of the  
delegates-at-large from New Jersey  
to the Democratic national convention.  
Robert Davis, a prominent Democratic  
leader, heads the movement.

Augustus Thomas, president of the  
New York State Progressive Demo-  
cratic League, has issued a call for a  
convention of the league in New York  
city two weeks hence. The league is  
expected to endorse William J. Bryan  
for President, Tom L. Johnson, mayor  
of Cleveland, will be among the  
speakers.

Representative James T. Lloyd of  
Missouri, according to his friends, has  
enough votes pledged to him to insure  
his election as chairman of the Demo-  
cratic Congressional Committee which  
will have charge of the election of  
Democrats to the Sixty-first Congress  
next fall. The election of officers will  
take place in January.

The fight against Senator Bailey in  
Texas continues unabated. The latest  
development is an appeal issued by  
the Central Democratic Club of Aus-  
tin to the anti-Bailey Democrats call-  
ing upon them to begin the work im-  
mediately of organizing to send dele-  
gates to the State convention instanc-  
tly to vote against Senator Bailey as a  
delegate to the National Democratic  
convention.

The Republican managers in Indi-  
ana have determined to select dele-  
gates to the national convention early  
in February and this break all pre-  
cedents in respect to such selections.  
The object is to place Mr. Fairbanks  
conspicuously before the country as  
Indiana's candidate. An soon as In-  
diana has taken official action there  
will be a concerted movement of the  
Fairbanks forces on other states.

A boom for Matthew B. Denver,  
Representative in Congress from the  
Sixth Ohio district, has been started  
to make him the temporary chairman  
of the national Democratic conven-  
tion in Denver next July. The argu-  
ments used in his behalf are chiefly of  
a sentimental character. Mr. Denver  
is a son of General Denver, formerly  
a governor of Kansas Territory, and  
for whom the city of Denver was  
named.

The contest between ex-Senator  
Carmack and Governor Patterson for  
the Democratic nomination for gov-  
ernor of Tennessee is beginning to at-  
tract considerable attention. The  
nomination is regarded as equivalent  
to an election. Governor Patterson  
and his friends, who are supposed to  
be strongest when issues are to be  
decided by convention, are opposing a  
primary while the friends of Mr.  
Carmack insist that this is the only  
fair and truly Democratic way of se-  
lecting a candidate. The contest prom-  
ises to be one of the most spirited  
that has taken place in Tennessee in  
some years.

### JUSTICE CASSIDY DEAD.

Wisconsin Judge Suffered Relapse  
From an Operation.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 30.—(Special.)  
Chief Justice John B. Cassidy of Wis-  
consin Supreme Court died this morn-  
ing. He underwent an operation three  
weeks ago and suffered a relapse. He  
was chairman of Wisconsin delega-  
tion to the national convention that  
nominated Lincoln and Garfield.

### BATTLE TOMORROW.

Attell and Moran Fight for Internation-  
al Championship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—(Spe-  
cial.)—Owen Moran and Abe Attell  
have completed their work of training  
in preparation for their fight at Colma  
tomorrow afternoon. The bout is at-  
tracting much attention in sporting  
circles as it will be the first real in-  
ternational championship battle be-  
tween featherweights in some time.  
The articles of agreement provide  
for a 25-round fight, the men to weigh  
in at 120 pounds two hours and a half  
before entering the ring.

### MIDNIGHT MARRIAGES.

They Are Barred Hereafter in New  
York by New Act of the  
Legislature.

Special to The Courier.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A new state  
law is to become effective here in New  
York tomorrow which will require a  
prospective bridegroom to be equipped  
with a formal license to wed before  
he leads his blushing bride to the altar.  
Romantic couples who after a  
moonlight auto ride or a dinner party  
on Broadway suddenly decide to wake  
up a parson and get married can no  
longer be accommodated.

It is the first time in the memory of  
any New Yorker that licenses have  
been required preliminary to a mar-  
riage. It will be necessary for both  
the bride and the bridegroom to ap-  
pear when a license is issued, and  
each will be required to answer a  
great number of questions. If the  
candidate for matrimony has ever  
been married before he must give the  
full history of that ceremony, and if  
divorced he must tell when and why.

If either of the couple answer the  
questions truthfully they are sub-  
ject to prosecution for perjury. No  
young under twenty-one or girl under  
eighteen will be given a license with-  
out the written consent of both par-  
ents or guardian, and the parents must  
be present in person to sign the agree-  
ment.

The law provides that a fee of \$3.00  
shall be paid for each license, and at  
last year's matrimonial rate in this  
city, the local treasurer will take in  
\$50,000 during the next twelve months.

### BILLS TO DINE.

Noted Club with Men of Famous Men  
on Membership Roll Will Cel-  
brate Tonight.

Special to The Courier.  
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., Dec.  
31.—(Special.)—The famous Bill club,  
which put Excelsior Springs on the  
map, is to give its annual banquet to-  
night and the event promises to be  
as interesting as the previous func-  
tions. Senators Bill Stone and Bill  
Warner of Missouri, Secretary Bill  
Taft, Bill Bryan of Nebraska and  
many lesser bills are on its honorary  
membership roll.

This year the organization has de-  
cided that its success warrants a wid-  
ening of its field of action, and as a  
consequence it is to be made inter-  
national in its scope. To signify the  
broadening of its sphere the club  
has elected Hubert B. J. of Germany to  
honorary membership, and through  
the German Ambassador at Washing-  
ton has sent him an urgent invitation  
to attend one of the banquets.

### DOG FIGHT COSTS TWO LIVES.

Two Italian Shelt; One Dead, the  
Other Dying.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Dec. 31.—(Spe-  
cial.)—At Opekiska, a mining town  
10 miles west of here, at 7 o'clock  
Sunday evening, Peter Stuvell, an  
Italian, shot and killed another  
Italian, Frank Magro, and wounded  
his brother, Dan Magro, so badly that  
it is thought that he will die before  
morning.

Dan Magro was brought to Cook  
Hospital at this place for treatment.  
The trouble occurred over a dog fight  
and the slayer escaped. He is  
thought to be housed for Fairmont  
and a close watch is being kept for  
him by the police here. Frank Magro  
was shot in the stomach, while his  
brother was shot just over the heart.

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